

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths are inserted in this column without charge...

Obituary

STERRITT - At Acton on January 26th, 1943, to Mr. and Mrs. C. Sterritt, the gift of a daughter, Patricia Joy, a little sister for Eddie. Both doing well.

MARRIED THOMPSON-SMITH - On Saturday, January 23rd, 1943, in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, London, Ont. by Maj. the Rev. Clarence Foreman...

DEED SPIRES - At Hamilton General Hospital on Sunday, January 24th, 1943, George Spire, husband of the late Alice Spire in his 78th year.

MCMILLAN - At her residence, Campbellville, Ont. on Friday, January 22nd, 1943, Jennie McMillan, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McMillan.

SANDERS - In Saginaw, Michigan, on Monday, January 25th, 1943, Elizabeth Smith, beloved husband of R. J. Sanders.

IN MEMORIAM HAYWARD - In remembrance of Mrs. Gordon Hayward who passed away January 26th, 1940.

O how off she came before us, Her dear face so sweet and true, Resting now in peace with Jesus, Loving hearts still long for you.

HUSBAND, DAUGHTER and GRANDCHILDREN.

This and that

-Yes January ends on Sunday.

-Valentine Day is just two weeks from Sunday.

-A few days of sunshine like Tuesday would help wonderfully in conserving electric power.

-The snow plow finally got No. 25 highway between Acton and Milton open for travel this week.

-Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bower have received word that their son Murray, has arrived in England safely.

-Just seems as if that open air rink this year is doomed to failure. Even the elements combine against it.

-The reduced tax rate in Acton, although not as much as last year, will be appreciated by every taxpayer.

-Flying Officer K. A. Mackenzie of Georgetown has been promoted to Flight-Lieutenant. He is stationed at Aymer.

-Literature reached our desk from a new source this week. It's from "United Democrats" and is postmarked in British Columbia.

-During the storm a big transport truck was stuck for several hours on Mill Street C. N. R. crossing with the front only a few feet from the main line.

-May we again remind all subscribers that Free Press subscriptions must be paid in advance to assure uninterrupted delivery of your weekly paper.

-Our Neighborhood News budget is less this week and the reason is simply in the fact that the storm tied up all rural travel and gatherings for over a week.

-Acton certainly wasn't any one horse town on Saturday. It's been many a year since the cars were as badly out of use for shopping trips by the rural community adjoining.

-There's the story of the neighboring farmer who rode into town on horseback for some supplies and while shopping the horse broke the rope and went home without the shopper.

-Alterations have been made at the Acton Arena to allow for the convenient storage of wool there. The entrance at the rear has been enlarged to allow trucks to drive in.

-With a cast of over forty taking part the minstrel show now being arranged to be presented the first week in March, promises to be one of the biggest local events of the season.

-The list of those from Acton and District who are on Active Service is published in another column. If you notice corrections that should be made please tell us about them so it can be kept up-to-date.

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MARGARET NORRIS

Margaret Norris, wife of the late Alexander Norris, passed away on January 18th, in her seventy-sixth year, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. N. Madley, 47 Galt St. Guelph, Ont. Deceased was born in Ired Hill, County Carver, Ireland, and came to Canada as a child with her family.

She was married to Mr. John Clarke in 1894, and four children survive, Andrew, James, Robert, and Bertha (Mrs. Madley). Mr. Clarke predeceased her fifty years. In 1896 she married Mr. Alexander Norris and four children Albert, Jennie (Mrs. Vincent Smith), William and Stephen survive. Mrs. Norris has lived in the vicinity of Erin for forty years. Service was conducted by Rev. A. W. Fosbury, at the Johnstone & Rumley Funeral Home, Acton, Ont. Interment was in Erin Cemetery.

HUGH MCKAY

Resident of Acton for nearly forty years, Hugh McKay died on Wednesday of last week as a result of injuries sustained in a car accident a couple of days previous. Mr. McKay was born in Georgetown, a son of the late Walter McKay. He was seventy-eight years of age.

Thirty-nine years ago Mr. McKay came to Acton and in partnership with Mr. C. Woodhall carried on a general grocery and bakery business of Woodhall & McKay. While in this business his sight started to fail and gradually became worse and for several years he has been totally blind. For the past year or so he has made his home with Mr. and Mrs. John Harris. Only one sister remains, Miss Anne McKay of Vancouver, B.C. Mrs. George Musasale, Acton, is a niece. In spite of his blindness he got about the community pretty well and was always cheerful. He will be missed by all.

The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon with service at the Johnstone & Rumley Funeral Home, conducted by Rev. Forbes Thomson. Interment was made in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown. The Pallbearers were Messrs. George and William Ritchie, Eli Masters, Harvey Walters, Thomas and John Harris.

GEORGE SPIRES

Native of England but resident of Canada for the past thirty-six years, George Spire passed away on Sunday at the Hamilton General Hospital. He was in his seventy-eighth year and was a son of the late Charles and Mary Spire.

Mr. Spire had been in gradually failing health for some months and for the past ten days had been in hospital. He was predeceased by his wife Alice De Frelituz eleven years ago. For several years he resided in Oakville and later in Georgetown. For about a year and a half he resided in Acton but has lately lived with his daughter, Mrs. Ivy Atkinson in Hamilton.

Surviving are the one daughter, Mrs. Atkinson of Hamilton, and two sons, Frederick of Georgetown and Charles of Acton. Two brothers, Charles and Arthur and two sisters also remain in England.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon with a service at the home of his son Fred in Georgetown, conducted by Rev. E. A. Brooks of St. Albans' Church, Acton. Interment was made in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown.

Old Family Nurse Sees Investiture

Proud of Her Charges She Was Rewarded When One of Them Got D. S. O.

BY DENISE DALTRYFF Canadian Press Staff Writer

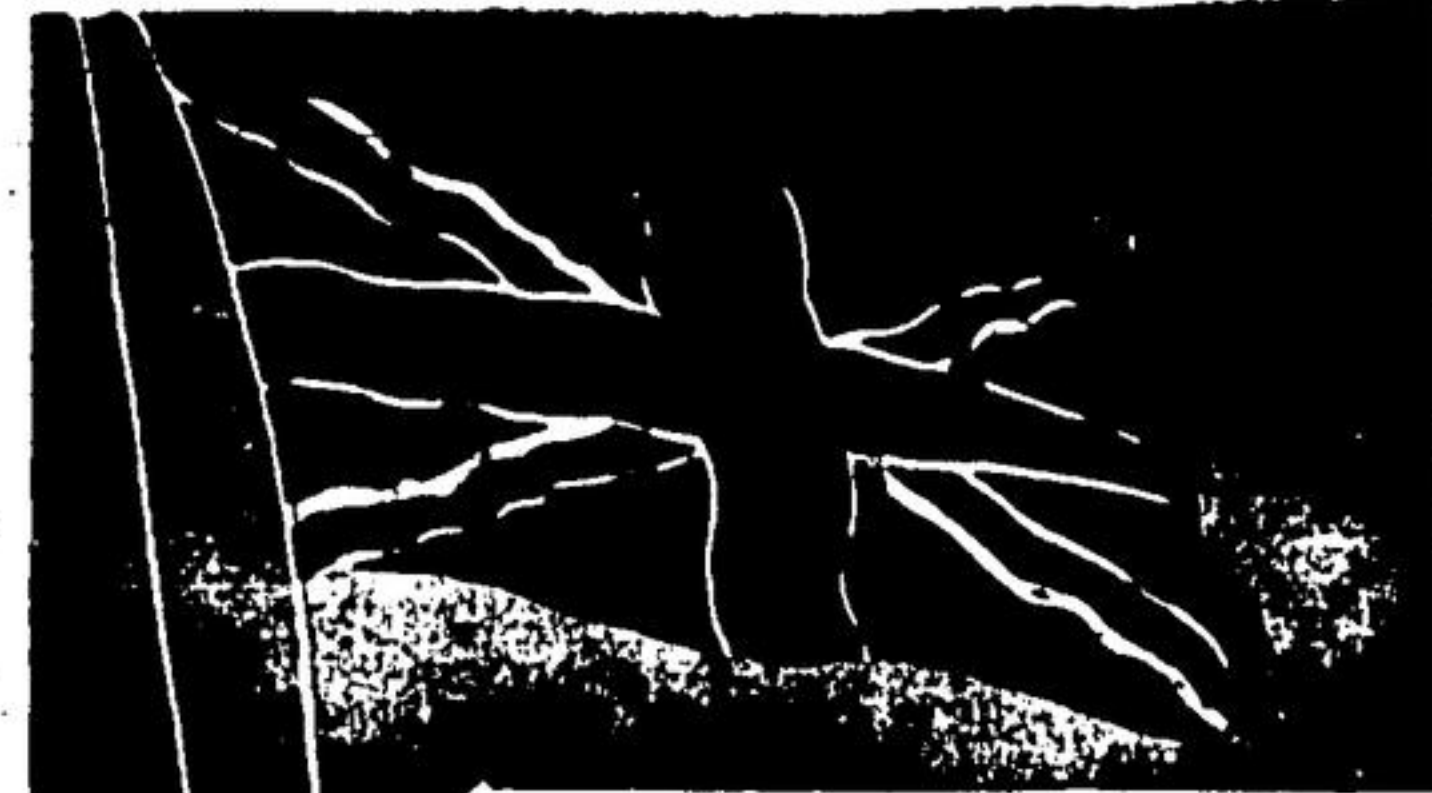
LONDON, (CP) - Nanny Woods, now a gray haired, dignified old lady who was born in the North Country of England, nursed, scolded and coaxled for 38 years the five children of Admiral Sir Michael and Lady Hodges.

Then, at a recent investiture, at Buckingham Palace she shared in their triumph and felt more than rewarded for all the devotion and loyalty she gave the children during those long years.

Nanny Woods went along to the Palace with John, Lieut.-Cmdr. John Hodges, Royal Navy, and Lady Hodges to see John receive from the King the D.S.O. for outstanding bravery at Madagascar. So that Nanny could go inside the place John's sister, Mrs. Anthony Kimmins waited outside for two hours, giving up her place at the investiture to the old family nurse.

Nanny had no favorites among the children, she said. She nursed them all, four sons and a daughter, through their childhood illness. She watched them grow up, the daughter married and the four sons go to war, three to the navy and one to the army.

Lieut. Cmdr. Hodges said he wanted to take Nanny along to the palace to show his appreciation for all the little things she did for him from the time he was a toddler until he reached manhood. And there was another reason—all her life Nanny had wanted to see the King and Queen at close quarters and in Buckingham Palace.



Active Service List

ACTON AND DISTRICT.

Those Who Fight to Keep the Flag of Freedom Flying

- OVERSEAS CASUALTIES Morris, Wing Commander D. G. Taylor, Sgt. Pilot L. C. R-6425. Anderson, A. C. E. A. R-3046.

- PRISONERS OF WAR Turner, Pte. W. L., B-5796. Irvin, C.S.M. J.

- OVERSEAS Alger, C.S.M., H. H. B-5152. Anderson, Q.M.S. R. W., B-9440.

- Caldwell, Cnr. W. M., 6130. Cassidy, Pte. Wm. J., B-83510.

- Field, Pte. Bill. French, Cnr. F. G., B-6060. Frankel, Pte. Karl M., B-51859.

- Guthrie, Spr. Hector C., B-28115. Glsby, Spr. S., B-26163.

- Elwood, AC 2, Wm. R., B-167118. Ellery, Pte. J. L., A-60017.

- Gibbons, Pte. Cecil. Gordon, Pte. Alan. Grant, AC 1st.

- Hargrave, AC 2, George. Hill, Pte. F. G., A-19433.

- John, LAC, Alex., B-88943. Jones, Pilot-Officer Jim. Joe, Pte. S. H., B-91003.

- Kelly, Cnr. E., B-89890. Kirkness, Pte. W. A., B-43069.

- Langford, Sgt. H. G., B-115244. Lamb, L-Idr. W. H., B-18167.

- McLellan, Pte. M. S., B-51675. McArthur, Pte. Ronald, B-51681.

- Nicol, L-Idr. J., A-29139. Nicol, Gar. T., A-29180.

Walker, LAC, E. F., B-141600. Waddie, Tpr. Alex. Webster, Pte. Clifford.

Peanut Servng On Many Fronts

Used in Making Explosives and as Lifeboat Emergency Ration Too

NEW YORK, (CP) - The peanut, which has a nutritive value that gives it a high priority on the diet list, has gone to war in a number of ways, says E. Parrish, president of the National Peanut Council, declares.

New peanuts are part of emergency rations in British lifeboats; peanut oil is used in cooking on submarines because of its lack of smoke; millions of pounds of peanuts, processed into soups and other tasty foods, are shipped through the Lease-Lend Administration; and many thousands of war workers in Canada and the United States daily carry peanut butter sandwiches in their lunch pails.

The peanut is also a valuable source of materials for explosives, shrapnel, margarine, soap, insulation, paper board, fuel, lubricants, artificial wool, floor, feed meal, packing oil, plastics, manasing oil, and fertilizer.

PARENT PROMOTED

LONDON, (CP) - Lieut. Gen. Sir Bernard Pagant, Commander-in-Chief, Home Forces, has been promoted temporary General. He was responsible for evacuating British troops from Andalusen, Norway, without loss of a man.

DISEASE RISE IN GERMANY

LONDON, (CP) - The tuberculosis death rate in Germany has increased by 31 per cent during recent years, according to an article in Medical World, British medical publication. Diphtheria has increased by 15 per cent and scarlet fever by 100 per cent.

Advertisement for Stay-at-Home Times newspaper, featuring 'SENSATIONAL READING BARGAINS FOR THESE Stay-at-Home Times' and 'SAVE MONEY!'. It lists various magazines available for purchase, such as 'The Newspaper (1 Year) and THREE GREAT MAGAZINES' for \$3.50 and 'THIS NEWSPAPER (1 Year) and ANY MAGAZINE LISTED' for \$3.00. The ad includes a coupon for readers to request more information.

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